

COMMISSIONERS APPROVAL

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TAYLOR (Clerk & Recorder)

Date.....May 31, 2006

Members Present.....Commissioner Alan Thompson

Minutes: Glenda Wiles

Special Projects Coordinator Marty Birkeneder met with Commissioner Thompson to explain a grant she is working on that needs to be submitted to the Department of Justice by Friday, June 2nd. Also present at this meeting was Under Sheriff Kevin McConnell and Jerry Wright of the Riverfront Counseling Center. Marty indicated she was given information on this grant approximately three weeks ago, but this past weekend was the first opportunity she has had to actually begin working on it. The Local Advisory Committee (LAC) is in support of this grant. Members of that committee include Deputy County Attorney Karen Mahar.

This is a three-phase grant, with the first twelve months for planning at \$50,000.00. The second phase is the implementation of the planning at \$250,000.00 for thirty-six months. The last phase is the implementation and expansion of the grant at \$200,000.00 for twenty-four months. The grant deals with mental health and individuals incarcerated in the jail. Marty indicated there would need to be a project director on this grant and the director must have the ability to network with the other agencies that are involved in the issues of mental health and incarceration, such as Riverfront Counseling Center, District Attorney's Office, Sheriff's Office and Detention staff. The use of the grant monies should be crafted to the specific needs of Ravalli County and thus far, the LAC is suggesting they review the need for diversion and treatment rather than incarceration on some individuals. The grant will require a 20% match with each phase, but the match can be an in-kind match. Marty indicated she would bring forth a draft narrative for the grant submittal, a Memorandum of Understanding between the County and Riverfront Counseling on Friday at 11:00 a.m. Commissioner Thompson stated Commissioner Lund would be present in order to have a quorum for action.